NOTICE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT WASTEWATER PERMIT MODIFICATION

PERMIT NO.: WA-000323-9

APPLICANT: Paramount Petroleum Corp

14700 Downey Avenue Paramount, CA 90723

SITE LOCATION: Richmond Beach Asphalt Plant and Terminal

20500 Richmond Beach Drive NW Richmond Beach, Snohomish County

Paramount Petroleum Corp has applied for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit modification in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington, Chapter 173-220 Washington Administrative Code, and the Federal Clean Water Act. The proposed permit modification consists of the following changes: 1) The flow limit is changed from 34,000 gpd to 0.94 MGD in order to accommodate the discharge of treated contaminated storm water collected on-site; 2) The dilution factors were reduced by approximately 10% due to the increase in the flow limit; 3) The acute critical effluent concentration is proposed to be changed from 10% to 11% effluent, and the chronic critical effluent concentration is proposed to be changed from 3.1% to 3.4% effluent. The latter change is related to the change in dilution factors.

A tentative determination has been made on the above modifications and a draft permit has been prepared. A final determination will not be made until all timely comments received in response to this notice have been evaluated.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND INFORMATION

The draft permit and statement of basis may be viewed at the Department of Ecology (Department) website: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/northwest_permits.html The application, fact sheet, proposed permit, and other related documents are also available at the Department's Northwest Regional Office for inspection and copying between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., weekdays. To obtain a copy or to arrange to view copies at the Northwest Regional Office, please call Sally Perkins at (425) 649-7190, e-mail sper461@ecy.wa.gov, or write to the address below.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the proposed permit modification. All comments must be submitted within 30 days after publication of this notice to be considered for the final determination. Comments should be sent to:

Permit Coordinator Department of Ecology Northwest Regional Office 3190 - 160th Avenue SE Bellevue, WA 98008-5452

E-mail comments should be sent to tmil461@ecy.wa.gov

Any interested party may request a public hearing on the proposed permit modification within 30 days of the publication date of this notice. The request for a hearing shall state the interest of the party and the reasons why a hearing is necessary. The request should be sent to the above address. The Department will hold a hearing if it determines that there is significant public interest. If a hearing is to be held, public notice will be published at least 30 days in advance of the hearing date. Any party responding to this notice with comments will be mailed a copy of a hearing public notice. Please bring this public notice to the attention of persons who you know would be interested in this matter. The Department is an equal opportunity agency. If you have a special accommodation needs, please contact Tricia Miller at 425-649-7201, tmil461@ecy.wa.gov, or at 711 or 1-800-833-6388 (TTY).

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